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FOTOSI MISSOURI

Alaska in 1901 is expected to yield \$10,000,000 in gold, a sum which will be recalled as the country's first cost to the United States.

One burning question has grown cold and been laid away upon the historical shelf. Everybody is now agreed we are in the twentieth century.

An Iowa paper says the query now-adays is: Shall we send our boys to college to be hazed, or shall we let them hang around home and be kidnapped?

The safest way to use a folding bed is to close the thing up and sleep on the floor. Henry Bonn, a Chicago resident, was killed the other day by the accidental closing of such a bed.

A man is often given away by a smile. It is said that the new \$5 counterfeit which is bothering the secret service officials can be easily detected by the fact that there is a smile upon the face of the Indian.

A Georgia paper tapers sums up legislative work done at the session of 1900: "One solon blew out the gas, another stuck a knife into a fellow member and the entire aggregation succeeded in repealing a dog law."

What a Vancouver correspondent calls "a mild sensation" is the discovery of gold nuggets worth \$12.50 in the crop of a wild goose in that vicinity. What did the correspondent expect? Does he insist on the nuggets being coined in order to regard it as a sensation not of the mild variety?

According to recent legislation in New York state a man is required to support his mother-in-law. Another legal arrangement provides that a woman need not support her husband unless he is incapable of labor or unless an agreement for mutual support has been made previous to marriage.

Many of the troops have left China, but the government reports show there is still a strong guard there for the winter. There are 7,500 Germans, 5,500 British, 4,000 French, 4,000 Japanese, 2,500 Italians, 1,750 Americans and 250 Austrians, making the aggregate strength of the allied forces 26,400 men.

A single presidential term of six years has been advocated by many prominent men. Andrew Jackson, when president, advocated the change in all of his messages. Henry Clay, was nominated on a platform demanding the change, and a proposition to so change the constitution was offered in the house in 1826.

It is the rule of the war department to grant honorable discharges from the army to soldiers who desire to get into business in the Philippines. A large number of officers and men in the volunteer regiments have already done so, and many others whose commissions or terms of enlistment expire in July next have made applications.

While doing a cakewalk in a Cincinnati theater an actress named Gertrude Swiggert wore a pair of heavy brogans. An unusually violent kick threw off one of the shoes, which hit the umpire in the orchestra on the nose. The musician on the spur of the moment, threw it at the girl, landing it neatly on her right eye. The girl fled from the stage, and the audience cheered, thinking it was all part of the show.

When the New York school children were asked to give a penny each for the Galveston sufferers the school directors did not realize what a task they would have on their hands. The collection netted 26,750 pennies and weighed several hundred pounds. A check was sent to Galveston and then the officials wondered how they would ever get rid of the coppers. A department store has finally come to the rescue and bought them.

Astronomers are discussing the theory that the moon is in its glacial epoch. One telescopic expert calls the "craters" ice cups and the streams along their sides glacial weather. Another insists that the signs of volcanic action are unmistakable. All agree that most of the moon's surface is intensely white. The dark regions are termed seas, but there is no evidence that they contain water. Some writers believe they are covered with the earliest forms of vegetation.

Gideon Young, of the maritime exchange, New York, has just completed a list of the fatal marine disasters of the world for the year 1900, and on this list we notice one American vessel about which little has been said. The steamer Pauline, chartered by our government for carrying American exhibits to the Paris exposition, was sighted but once after she left New York on February 5 for Havre and it will never be known how she met her fate. Her cargo was worth several hundred thousand dollars, and her crew numbered 56 men.

At the beginning of the century statisticians are predicting the population of the United States when the next century shall begin, as if population were the real measure of the nation's greatness. China has population, and little else. Some of our cities have so much of the worst kinds of population that they hold up cars full of people and demand their money, which the latter hand over without protest. The character of the country's population is of greater importance than the counting of a few additional millions which contribute nothing but crime.

The best place for revolvers is in the hardware store. The six-year-old son of Mrs. John W. Pennington, of Graham, Ga., was given a revolver to play with the other day, and as his mother thought it was empty she laughed when he pointed it at her playfully and said he was going to shoot her. He pulled the hammer, a ball crashed through his mother's head and in a few minutes she was dead. The child went into spasms as a result of the shock. If you have any revolvers in your house sell them to the junk man. They are poor playthings for children.

## A WEEK'S HISTORY

The Important Happenings of a Week Briefly Told.

IN ALL PARTS OF THE UNION

All the Latest News of Interest from Washington, From the East, the West and the South.

THE LATEST FOREIGN DISPATCHES

FIFTY-SIXTH CONGRESS.

A bill was passed in the United States senate on the 17th fixing the compensation of district superintendents of life-saving service at \$2,500 per annum. The army reorganization bill was further discussed. In the house the entire day was spent upon the bill to revise and codify the postal laws.

The United States senate on the 18th passed the army reorganization bill by a vote of 43 to 23. Strength of forces is to vary from 60,000 to 100,000, as the president may determine. The house spent the entire day on the bill to refer to the court of claims the claims of William Cramp & Sons for alleged damages due to the delay of the government in furnishing armor plate and material for the battleships Massachusetts and Indiana, and the cruisers New York and Columbia. The claims aggregate \$1,367,244.

FROM WASHINGTON.

The president has signed the apportionment bill.

The president has decided, in accordance with his physician's advice, to abandon the entire social program of the season.

The war taxes have been reduced about \$42,000,000 by the senate committee on finance.

THE EAST.

A cadet escaped hazing at West Point by whipping 30 first-class men. A. J. Campbell, W. C. McAllister and William Death were convicted of murder in the second degree in the Jennie Boschier case at Paterson, N. J. The maximum penalty is 30 years' imprisonment.

In a collision between freight trains on the Grand Trunk railroad near Lock Mill, Me., four men were killed. Exchanges at the leading clearing houses in the United States during the week ended on the 18th aggregated \$2,615,661,818, against \$2,643,794,405 the previous week. The increase compared with the corresponding week of 1900 was 52.3.

In the United States there were 325 business failures in the seven days ended on the 18th, against 324 the week previous and 242 the corresponding period of 1900.

In an attempt to loot a freight train at Rockwood, Md., 20 armed bandits were killed.

At the age of 79 years Dr. Robert Graham, for many years president of Kentucky university, died at Pittsburgh, Pa.

While hunting ducks John Wiser was swept over Niagara Falls in a boat.

The death of Thomas Shaw, inventor of the mercury steam gauge, the standard of pressure of the civilized world, occurred in Philadelphia.

A Greek anarchist confessed in New York that he was sent here to assassinate prominent Americans and said a plot for that purpose exists.

In Philadelphia John Leisenring, member of the forty-fourth congress and a wealthy mine owner, died at the age of 48 years.

All four classes of cadets at West Point have united in signing a pledge to stop the practice of hazing.

In New York the choir of the Messiah Episcopal church went on strike because the minister accused them of flirting.

WEST AND SOUTH.

After a fight in which he was shot in the cheek, Marvin Kuhns, the desperado who escaped from the Ohio penitentiary last November, was captured by a posse at Green Hill, Ind.

At the age of 108 years Harriet Wilkins died in Detroit, Mich.

At Wataga, Ill., Hugh Flint, a prominent farmer, and his wife were killed by the cars.

In Platte county, Neb., farmers have lost hogs valued at \$500,000 by a mysterious disease.

On May 14 and 16 the Illinois G. A. R. state encampment will be held at Peoria.

In Chicago Potter Palmer was fined \$20 for permitting the Palmer house bar to keep open on Sunday.

In a short time the first of a series of surveying parties will leave Washington for a season's work in Alaska.

At Little Rock Jefferson Davis was inaugurated governor of Arkansas.

Social democrats will hold a national convention at Indianapolis in September.

Cars on the Union Traction trolley line collided on a bridge over the White river near Chesterfield, Ind., injuring ten persons.

In the burning of the steamer City of Louisville at Benton Harbor, Mich., Charles Southwell perished.

Fire swept away the business portion of Roann, Ind.

The four children of Benjamin Miller were burned to death in their home at Pashan, Ind.

Fire swept away the business portion of Ellettsworth, Mich.

In New Baltimore, Mich., William F. Sandell & Co.'s bank was broken into by cracksmen, who forced open the safe and secured about \$3,500.

Republicans in caucus nominated Moses E. Clapp, of St. Paul, for United States senator from Minnesota, to succeed the late Cushman Davis.

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

It is feared by the British that Gen. Botha, with 12,000 Boers, is about to invade Natal. An order has been issued at Cape Town placing the whole of Cape Colony except a few cities and districts under martial law.

Minister Conger has informed the state department of the formal signature of the Chinese plenipotentiaries to the Peking agreement.

In the wreck of the British steamer Kaisari on the island of Reunion 25 persons perished.

The decoration of the Legion of Honor has been given by France to 71 Americans for services at the Paris exposition.

Minister Conger cables that the Chinese have signed and delivered the protocol.

For murdering the McArthur family a man named Morrison was hanged at Regina, N. W. T.

Gen. De Wet was reported to be at Ermelo, where 8,000 Boers were concentrated preparatory to an invasion of Natal, said Gen. De Wet was urgently advocating.

Advices from the Philippines indicate a great deal of sickness prevailing among both naval and army officers.

By the foundering of the British ship Moei Tryvan in the English channel 11 of the crew were drowned.

LATER NEWS.

In the senate, on the 21st, no business of importance was transacted in open session. In executive session the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill was taken up and 66 pages were completed before adjournment.

In the house some time was devoted to District of Columbia business, after which, under suspension of the rules, several bills were passed, among them:

To provide a home for aged and infirm colored people; to establish a soldiers' home in Tennessee, and to increase the salary of the commissioner of education of Porto Rico from \$3,000 to \$4,000.

Handsome Elk, a noted Sioux Indian, was riddled with bullets by seven Indian policemen sent out from Osceola, S. D., to take him to the agency. They fired upon him from ambush. Elk shot an Indian policeman two years ago, and had served a term in prison.

Secretary Gage, on the 21st, transmitted to the house deficiency estimates of appropriations for the various departments to complete the service up to June 30, 1901, amounting to \$11,286,032, and \$2,641,985 for the postal service, payable from the postal revenues.

Mrs. Mary E. Lease filed a suit for divorce at Wichita, Kas., on the 21st, from her husband, Charles L. Lease, whom she charges with non-support for 12 years. Accompanying the petition is a waiver signed by Mr. Lease signifying his intention of not contesting.

The Institute of Oceanology, in connection with the University of Berlin, has been formally opened under Prof. Von Richthofen. At the suggestion of Emperor William a number of very interesting lectures will be delivered almost daily until the middle of March.

Hon. Robert C. Bell, one of the most prominent attorneys in northern Indiana, died at his home in Fort Wayne, on the 21st, after a lingering illness. Mr. Bell was twice elected to the upper house of the Indiana legislature.

Senator Warren, on the 21st, gave notice of an amendment he will present to the river and harbor bill providing for storage reservoirs in Wyoming.

John H. Russell, a theatrical manager and author of the "City Directory," died at the State hospital in Middletown, N. Y., on the 21st.

MINOR NEWS ITEMS.

Alabama and Virginia will both try for new state constitutions during 1901.

A Japanese paper, the Japanese-American Weekly News, has been started in New York.

Lord Rosebery says American and German competition are dangers for Great Britain to consider.

Alpha Twentieth Minnie Lundeen is the name the first baby of the century in Minneapolis will bear.

The Yale undergraduates have decided to take part in the inaugural parade in Washington next March.

Seventy-one new banking institutions have been authorized to do business in Missouri in the last two years.

The American people are great theater-goers and spend about \$112,000,000 annually for such amusements.

Statistics of the lumber trade compiled at Washington show that American forests will not last longer than 60 years.

New York is building a state hospital in the Adirondacks, to cost \$100,000, where patients with incipient consumption will be treated.

Dr. Elias Riggs, the oldest missionary of the American board, died in Constantinople, aged 90 years. He had been in service for 69 years.

The appellate division of the supreme court of New York state has decided that memberships in the New York stock exchange are not taxable.

According to advices from Bombay, the Moslem tribes are openly preparing for rebellion. They refuse to recognize the sovereignty of King Toffa.

The attention of the pension bureau has been called to one regiment in the civil war in which, according to the rolls, 28 colored George Washingtons served.

About 30 of the principal observatories of the world are now cooperating in a great programme of observation for improving our knowledge of the distance between the earth and sun.

James Conroy, of Jersey City, N. J., claims to have devised a system of springs and weight which, operating as a balance, will run machinery without the aid of fuel, electricity or any other motive power.

MISSOURI ITEMS CONDENSED.

There are 15,000 school-teachers in Missouri.

Carthage is looking with jealous eyes on the prospective establishment of a Christian church college at Joplin.

Charles Adams, who died recently at Ozark, was so large that no coffin could be found in Ozark, Sparta or Springfield that would hold his body, and it was necessary to have one made to order.

A. A. Lesueur, the retiring secretary of state, received from his employees two diamond rings as a token of friendship. Maj. V. M. Hobbs, the oldest in point of service of his employees, made a brief presentation speech.

Edward Carrasch, a young farmer north of St. Joseph, went out rabbit hunting and in some manner unknown the gun he carried was discharged and the left half of his head and face were torn away. Death was instantaneous.

Gov. Dockery refused to commute the sentences of Milo Gregory and J. H. Tetatton, who are to hang in Dunklin county February 19. He said: "Human life must and shall be protected in Missouri and the laws enforced."

Chillicothe has instituted a crusade against tramps. A special officer has been detailed to watch incoming freight trains and if any hobo comes in on a special car he can just two-step out again, no matter whether he has the smallpox or not.

The house and senate passed the bill creating a new United States judicial district in southwest Missouri, including the counties of Jasper, Newton, Barton, Vernon, Barry, Lawrence, McDonald and Stone. Terms of court will be held at Joplin.

A Joplin boy, owning a bicycle and a bird-dog, thinks he has a combination which beats an automobile all hollow. He ties a long rope to the handle bars and attaches the other end to the dog. The dog does the pulling and the boy does the rest.

The State Federation of Labor, in session at Jefferson City, passed a resolution protesting against the appropriation of any money by the legislature for the state militia. The federation also adopted the resolutions calling for the union label on all public school books.

One of the first official acts of Gov. Dockery was to grant respite to two murderers under sentence of death, Milo Gregory, of Pemiscot county, and J. H. Tetatton, of Dunklin county, both of whom were to be hanged January 19, but the governor's action postponed the execution for one month.

The representative from St. Clair county will introduce a bill forbidding the granting of saloon licenses within four blocks of any church or schoolhouse. In a town like Osceola, where there is a church or school on nearly every block such a bill would amount to virtual prohibition within the corporation.

Judge Thomas A. Brown, who died in St. Joseph at the age of 88, had been a resident of Missouri 63 years. He was one of the survivors of the Platte purchase. He was a member of the Buchanan county court when the first courthouse and jail were built. Sparta, ten miles south of St. Joseph, then being the county seat.

John P. Hubbard and wife, who celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in Hannibal recently, were married in that city 50 years ago in a house adjoining Mark Twain (Samuel L. Clemens) and Mark was present at the wedding. The humorist was invited to the golden wedding, but lecture engagements in the east prevented his attendance.

Albert Pennewell, young son of a farmer near Tipton, met with a frightful accident. He wanted to make the stock of his gun heavier, and bored a hole in it for the purpose of filling it with lead. He then filled the hole with water to cool the metal in. When the heated metal struck the water it instantly rebounded and struck the boy full in the face, frightfully burning him and destroying the sight of both eyes.

Some years ago the Butler county court engaged Attorney George L. Edwards, of St. Louis, and Attorney Marshall, now one of the judges of the supreme court, to clear up titles to certain lands in the county. Later the contract was rescinded. Messrs. Edwards and Marshall sued the county for services rendered, claiming \$17,000, and they received a judgment for that amount. The supreme court recently affirmed the judgment.

The short course in agriculture at the state university, recently begun, is one designed to fit men for managing stock farms, to be stock feeders, dairymen and general farmers. The course consists of lectures and practical demonstrations at the farm, stock judging, farm crops, farm buildings, drainage, etc., and extends over a period of 12 weeks. Most of the students in this work are men who have left their farms to acquaint themselves with the best methods in this line and then have returned to the farm as the best satisfied and best pleased students or have really done the best work.

Fire at West Plains destroyed the furniture store of M. J. Buford, M. L. McCoy's photograph gallery, Marcum's barber shop and Masterson's grocery.

Susan E. Scott, wife of George W. Scott, founder of Belton, died in that town on the forty-third anniversary of their wedding day.

A Carthage girl who kept the fact of her marriage a secret for seven months is now an object of curiosity among her female friends.

A fire, the origin of which is unknown, destroyed one of the best business blocks of the town of Waukegan.

Four buildings burned in New Cambria. The State bank, a millinery store, a large warehouse and the home of Joseph Wallace were destroyed. The loss is about \$5,000.

A Hannibal man is suing the city for \$1,200 damages. He says that, on account of the municipality's failure to clean the streets and alleys, he caught the smallpox last June.

Upon the enlargement of Springfield's coopers works, the capacity will be doubled and 20 more men will be employed. Southwest Missouri is anticipating a heavy crop of the big red apple next season.

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Not Afraid of Kidnapers.

"Geordie," said the motherly old soul, "aren't you afraid to be so far from home at as late an hour as this?"

"Of kidnapers?"

"Not at all," he added, contemptuously, "my papa ain't got any money."—Chicago Tribune.

Hoxsie's Croup Cure.

The life saver of children, for Croup, Cough, Colds and Diphtheria. No opium to stupefy. No ipecac to cause nausea. Sold by druggists, or mailed postpaid, on receipt of 50 cents. A. P. Hoxsie, Buffalo, N. Y.

"This wireless telegraph reminds me of a groundless quarrel." "What possible connection is there between the two?" "It's practically laying words over nothing."—Philadelphia Times.

The Best Prescription for Chills and Fever is a bottle of Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic. It is simply iron and quinine in a tasteless form. No cure—no pay. Price, 50c.

Jack—"Don't you think that woman, as a rule, prefers a man who is her master?" Ethel—"Not at all. She prefers one who thinks he is."—Smart Set.

To Cure a Cold in One Day Take Laxative Bromine Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

When a man is found brave enough to rebuke gossip it means that he has already heard it.—Aitchison Globe.

I am sure Piso's Cure for Consumption saved my three years ago.—Mrs. Thos. Robbins, Maple Street, Norwich, N. Y., Feb. 17, 1900.

Considering the way a woman will deceive herself, a man has very little right to complain if she deceives him too.—N. Y. Herald.

A dyspeptic is never on good terms with himself. Something is always wrong. Get it right by chewing Heeman's Pepsin Gum.

A man can sometimes correct almost any bad impression by simply paying his debts.—Aitchison Globe.

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Congressman White, of North Carolina, says: "I find Peruna to be an excellent remedy for the grip. I have used it in my family and they all join me in recommending it."

Miss Frances M. Anderson, of Washington, D. C., daughter of Judge Anderson, of Virginia, says: "I was taken very ill with the grip. I took Peruna and was able to leave my bed in a week."

Mrs. Harriette A. S. Marsh, President of the Woman's Benevolent Association, of Chicago, writes: "I suffered with grip seven weeks. Nothing helped me. Tried Peruna and within three weeks I was fully restored. Shall never be without it again."

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